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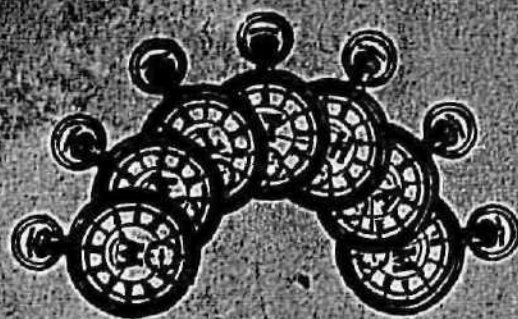
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HOLIDAYS

THE MERRY CHRISTMAS DANCE.

De white folks in de big house hear de happy fiddle's sound,
En dey come ter see de dancin', en dey standin' all aroun'.
Let de music come bringin' in de joy, en de merry Christmas in de mawnin'!

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AN OLD MAN'S FIRST CHRISTMAS.

BY HOPE DARING.

YES, I will do it. It's the only way I can be sure of making a fair profit next year. My workmen must understand that I run the mill to put money in my own pocket."

There was an ugly frown on Gilbert Bentley's brow as he sat in his shabby little study, communing with himself. He was a small, stooping man of 65, with searching blue eyes, and a cold, forbidding expression.

"I'll do it at once. One week from to-morrow I'll announce a cut of ten per cent on all wages. One week—that will be the twenty-fifth. Why, that will be Christmas, and the men must have a holiday, Christmas! As if that old superstition made any difference with the world to-day!"

The frown on his brow deepened. He leaned back, staring from a window. He could see the long, low buildings of the Bentley Lumber Company. In the background was the leafless forest. The sun was setting and the sky, above the tree tops, was tinged with rose and glow.

Gilbert Bentley had spent ten years in that lumbering village. In that time he had doubled his capital. Now, owing to a general depression, his profits were small. To continue his business through the winter would mean very little profit, but doubtless the spring would bring a change. Well, he would not wait for spring.

Money had always been Gilbert Bentley's god. He had begun life a poor boy and had worked his way upward, unaided. His life had been too busy for sentiment. To be sure, he had married. His wife lived only a few years. There was a child. Harold had grown up, high spirited and proud. In early manhood he married against his father's wishes. Estrangement had followed. Harold and his wife died within a few months of each other, leaving a little daughter. Pride prompted Mr. Bentley to pay the girl's bills at a good school, but he never saw her.

The door bell rang and there was the sound of footsteps and voices in the hall. The door of the study was thrown open, and a sweet voice cried:

"Grandpa, are you here?"

Before Mr. Bentley could speak, Simpson, his old English housekeeper, entered. In one hand she held aloft a lighted lamp, thus showing Gilbert Bentley his unexpected visitor. She was a slender girl of sixteen, a dimpled, blonde face lighted by sunny blue eyes.

"Why, don't you know me? I am Florence, and I am glad—so glad—to see you!"

She was at his side, both arms round his neck, and her lips uplifted for his kiss. As in a dream he listened as she told how she had grown tired of spending her vacations at the school.

"You know, grandpa, that it is dread-

ful to have no one of your very own to be glad with, and I've come to spend Christmas with you."

The girl was so sure that her grandpa was glad to see her that he could not tell her she was unwelcome. An hour later they sat at dinner. The old man looked across to where the girl's golden head gleamed in the lamp.

She chatted gayly. When they rose from the table she went with him to the study. Sitting on a stool, she told him of her school life.

"I am happy there, grandpa, but I will be glad when school is finished. Then I can keep house for you. It has been so kind in you to do without me so I could be educated."

He made no response. They parted without the words being said that would send Florence back to school. Mr. Bentley resolved to say them at breakfast the next morning. There he found himself confronted by that smiling face, and was obliged to hold his peace.

Florence stayed. Simpson, the maid, and the man all delighted to serve her. A few simple changes were made in the dreary old house. Mr. Bentley chose some new furniture. He ordered that good fires should be kept up and bade Simpson see that the table was well spread.

Gilbert Bentley was powerless. Florence would think the best of him. She

through the hall, the dining room door stood open. He saw the vase of scarlet carnations ordered from the city in the center of the table. Upon a quaint old sideboard was a basket of oranges and pale green grapes and a plate of nuts, over which Florence loved to linger while he drank his coffee.

The old man's face softened. He sat down before the fire. He was so engrossed in thought that he did not hear Florence enter.

"You precious grandpa!" Again her arms were round his neck. "I found your gift, and I thank you a thousand times. But grandpa, I want to ask you for something more. It is a part in your work—I want you to give me. And I want to give you my help—myself. It is a wonderful position, you hold—so much wealth and so many people whom you can help. On this best of all nights—the birth night of our dear Saviour, let us give ourselves anew to the work you have been doing alone."

"Little girl, you don't understand. I have not been what you think I have, and—"

Her dimpled hand closed his lips. "You are not to malign my dear grandfather. We will work together, will we not?"

"Yes, dear."

In those two words the old man renounced his greed and selfishness. On the morrow his workmen should receive,

THE CHILD'S FESTIVAL.

There is a Special Significance in Christmas for the Little Ones.

CHRISTMAS is the true Children's day. The world of the feast was a child in Bethlehem, and He still loves little children as He did when, in the strength of His manhood, He took them in His arms and blessed them. If there were no children in our world to receive and enjoy the advent time, would lose much of its beauty and delight. The child's imagination, which transforms commonplace things, the child's receptivity, which does not stop to question, but enjoys—these reflect themselves upon our minds and bring us for the moment into the childlike mood of happiness. Nor is the child's thought of happiness simply one of getting. Neither the gift nor the surprise of the gift, dear as these are to the child's heart, brings as much pleasure as the planning and the giving. The best of Christmas is enjoyed before ever Christmas comes. We older-ones need to be reminded every year

THE PASSING YEAR.

Across the shadows of the night
There come to my expectant ear
The twelve deep notes that tell the flight
Of yet another passing year.

Its limits reached, its work is done,
Its record sealed and sent on high,
Unknown to all and seen by none,
Except God's own all-seeing eye.

Ah, methinks those years, those vanished years,
In memory, but beyond recall,
How filled with foolish doubts and fears,
How stained with sin and blotted all!

What can we ask of thee but grace
To make these failures of the past
The beacon lights by which to trace
Our way to thee, O Christ, at last!

Farewell, Old Year! There have been days
Of grief and ill—so, too, of good;
And for them both we give God praise,
Though at the time misunderstood.

His wisdom measures all our needs;
He knows the weakness of our frame;
His love our highest thought exceeds;
He calls us by his own dear name.

So pass the years in solemn state
Beyond our ken; we count the sun;
They come and go, we watch and wait
Until our own set time shall come.

God of the years, from out whose hand
With all our precious gifts, they come,
Give us the grace to understand
And make them help to lead us home!

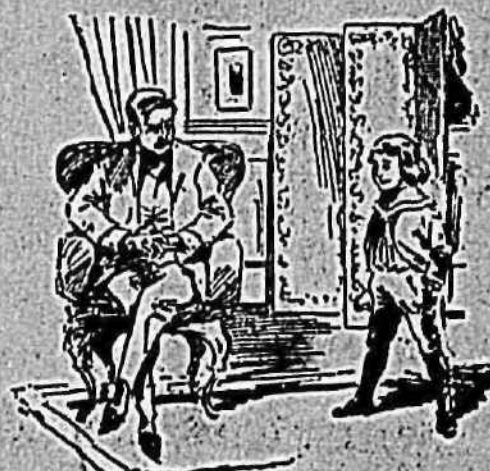
—Christian Work.

PLACE FOR SANTA CLAUS.

Story of the Old Saint Should Be Told in Merry Mood.

With the approach of Christmas arises the problem discussed by modern mothers and child-students in regard to the fiction of Santa Claus. Is it wrong to deceive a child, and will he not lose faith in the parent when he finds out that Santa Claus does not exist? The best advice we have ever seen on the subject was an editorial printed in that excellent magazine for mothers as well as teachers, the Kindergarten Review. The editor defends Santa Claus. The trouble, where there is any, arises, she says, from efforts to give the old story a realistic setting and to reply to questions with too inconspicuous fib. "We put too little fun and fantasy into our telling of the Christmas tale," she writes; and again: "Told as such tales ought to be told—in a merry mood, with laughing men and wonder tone, with funny winks and shrugs as parryings of difficult questions—the tale is harmless enough." When the child discovers that Santa Claus is not real, he need not feel a shock any more than when he suspects that there are no fairies or robins. But the parents who raise this difficulty are usually those who disapprove of fairy stories. We are glad that we have such authority for retaining the "Santa Claus myth" for old and young, enjoy the merry "make-believe." And when the child outgrows it we can afford to let it go. One Christmas story more wonderful and supernatural he can never outgrow—that of the Babe and the Star and the Angels.

Had a Fine Time.



Papa—Well, Bobby, did you have a good time seeing Christmas down town?
Bobby—Yes, sir; I busted three drums an' broke some tin horns an' music boxes.

Self Approval.

"Have you kept your New Year's resolutions?"
"Yes, I have faithfully kept a New Year's resolution that I made three or four years ago."
"What was it?"
"Never to make any more resolutions."
—Washington Star.

Sudden and Surprising.

"What do you most desire for Christmas, Miss Mabel?"
"Oh, George, this is so sudden!"
"Well—what do you mean?"
"Why, of course, I want you!"

The Porto Rican Christmas.

Christmas in Porto Rico is a church festival of much importance and the celebration of it is made up chiefly of religious ceremonies intended to commemorate the principal events in the life of the Saviour. Beginning with the celebration of His birth at Christmas time, the feast days follow one another in rapid succession. Indeed, it may justly be said that they do not really come to an end until Easter.

Foolish Resolutions.

The New Year's vows that Perkins made
To keep will prove a strain;
He vowed to shave himself each year
And use no words profane.

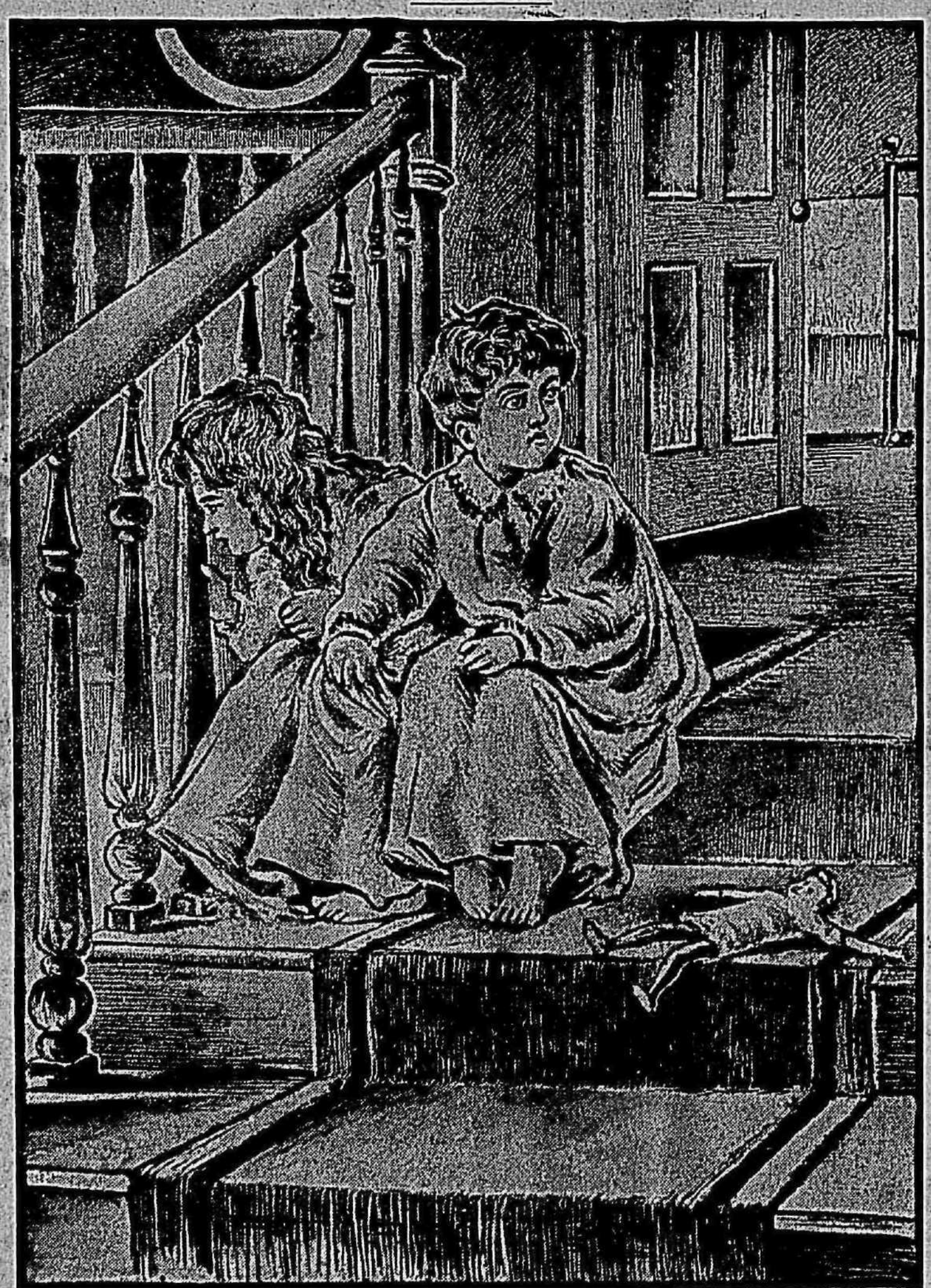
"Johnnie, what do you want me to buy you for Christmas?"
"Buy me the money I have you for!"
—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Very Easy.



Pat—Whoy is th' owd year folks a whet towel, Nora, darlint?
Nora—Whoy?
Pat—Because they always ring it out.

WAITING FOR SANTA CLAUS.



would think that he loved her and was glad to have her there. She would believe that he shared her own love for his manly and her reverent trust in God.

She went with him to the mill and through the village. There her mistaken idea of his character showed in a strong light. Many of his workmen were living in poverty. She knew he was doing all he could for them, but was there some way she could help? What was he going to do for the men and for the churches of the town for Christmas? Then they must remember the little children.

Christmas Eve came. Mr. Bentley had shamelessly ordered Simpson to provide a "regular Christmas dinner." He had never made a Christmas gift in his life, but now—well, Florence would persist in talking as if Christmas meant as much to him as it did to her.

He was thinking of this as he walked home that evening. It was snowing, and the wind buffeted him as he mounted the slope. The next day the mill must stand idle, but on the following morning the men should be notified of the reduction in their wages. How angry they would be! Gilbert Bentley's lips closed in a firm, cruel line. He had looked out for himself; others must do the same.

He reached the house. As he passed



HOLIDAYS

CHRISTMAS ON THE FARM.

Open the door, and let them in,
The friends from far and near;
They come all muffled to the chin
To bring the Christmas cheer.
There are lilacs blowing in the fields,
White as the thoughts of God,
There are blossoms on the burnished pines,
Made by divine rod.
Hark! Hark! The Christmas song is sung!
And bells by unseen hands are rung,
There's joy and peace on every tongue;
For Christmas time is here!

Open the door! The face of age
Is lit with sunny smiles;
Olive hand clasp warm to rich or poor—
The Star, the Star beguiles.
There's something in the Christmas sky,
There's something in its air,
To tell the Holy Presence nigh,
Of King and peace and prayer.
Hark! Hark! The Christmas song is sung!
And bells by unseen hands are rung,
There's joy and peace on every tongue;
For Christmas time is here!

The children come! The tables groan
With plenty's viands spread;
Here's "Home Sweet Home" for hearts that roam,
Where love hath comforted.
There are lilacs blowing in the fields,
White as the thoughts of God,
There are blossoms on the burnished pines,
Made by divine rod.
Hark! Hark! The Christmas song is sung!
And bells by unseen hands are rung,
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An angel's hand upon the wall
Of footprints of feeling stirred;
And on the hearth, the footprints fall
That once our hearts have heard.
The mother's face, the sister's grace,
Full love's immortal cup,
And in the old accustomed place
Our souls will sit and sup.
Hark! Hark! The Christmas song is sung!
And bells by unseen hands are rung,
There's joy and peace on every tongue;
For Christmas time is here!

Wherever man, whatever his lot,
The Christmas Star will shine
Alike on palace or on cot
With love that is divine.
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HOW THE OLD YEAR WENT OUT

BY MAURICE COLEMAN.

HEARD of Dora's engagement, I supposed," asked old Col. Foster briskly. "Capital fellow, George Standish, a little old for the girl, perhaps, but she seems to like him, and of course my wife is pleased."

I nodded and murmured something conventional. How could I tell Col. Foster that for the last two years I had regarded him as my prospective father-in-law, and that I had even been fool enough to come down to the Grange with an engagement ring for Dora in my pocket?

Well, well, I had been a fool, it seemed, an utter fool, and the sooner I got back to Chicago the better. If they had not been having that dance, the annual New Year's eve affair, I believe I should have made some wild excuse and got away. Dora flitted into the study; she looked wonderfully bright and pretty.

"O, here you are, Jack. When did you arrive? Fancy sitting here with father, when you might have been having nice tea with mother and me in the drawing room, and mullins, Jack, O, such heavenly mullins."

"I must congratulate you, Dora."

I spoke in my best manner, stilted and I hope, sternly, putting as much reproach in my glance as I could.

"Thank you so much; the house is up-side down with excitement, and the girls, as you will find, can talk of nothing but bridesmaids' dresses. As to mother, she is radiant with pride, for I shall be quite a 'great lady,' shall I not, daddy, dear? O, here's the ring!"

She held up a slender finger inspection, circled by a gleam of large and scintillating brilliants, voluntarily I contrasted the cost with the simple ring reposing in my waistcoat pocket. Oh, yes, Dora was wise in her generation.

I had privately determined not to dance, but, all the same, No. 8 found us sitting out together the darkest and most desecrated of the night.

"Is it not nice, and dark, and cozy?"

laughed Dora gleefully. "I rigged it up myself this morning. Why are you so gloomy and silent, Jack?"

"The truth is," I answered, "I don't feel happy over this engagement of yours; Standish is so much older than you are."

"Well, I know that!" She tapped her pretty foot impatiently. "But listen, Jack, to the true position of affairs. I was rather fond of somebody—years ago, though the evidence is not care about me. Well, I am not the sort of a girl who goes breaking her heart and making everybody uncomfortable and miserable. Mr. Standish appeared and showed pretty plainly that he liked and admired me."

"But have you told him that you are not in love with him, Dora?"

"Of course I have, and he is rather relieved, for he is not really in love with me. He has spoken the truth honestly, too; he adored his first wife; he was devoted to his daughter, and almost broken-hearted when she died last year. He wants me to take his place in a way, to have youth about his home again, some one to pet and spoil."

"Here is a wedding present, Dora," I said. "I wish you all possible happiness, dear."

A wedding present! But you did not know, Jack, till father told you this afternoon?"

She looked at me with brows slightly knit, a wistful expression in her eyes; then, unwrapping the paper, she flushed all over the face.

It was a simple ring, made to my own design—one pearl, with a stem and leaf.

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A HAPPY NEW YEAR

bring you a happy New Year, Dora. I am departing with the old year."

As Standish spoke Dora frankly and like a child turned up her face, and he lightly kissed her forehead. His brow contracted, as if with pain; then he turned to me with a singularly bright smile, and, giving my hand a warm grip, said:

"A Happy New Year to you." He then turned swiftly away.

Dora sank down on her seat with a little cry.

"Oh, he is such a good, true man, Jack; I shall love him all my life."

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MISTLETOE

Always Brought by Druids During the Full Moon.

The Druids always sought the mistletoe by the full moon, and when they found it rejoiced and worshiped. After cutting off its twigs with a golden sickle they sacrificed two milk-white bulls beneath the tree. The sacred shrub was then immersed in water, and the results of the concoction became their remedy for all diseases. The early Christians would not permit the use of the mistletoe in their churches because of its heathenish origin. Consequently it was hung gaily within the private abode, and usually in the kitchen. Any maid caught standing beneath a branch had to forfeit a kiss to the gallant eagerly awaiting his opportunity. With each kiss a berry was plucked, and when all of the berries disappeared the bare branch was useless to the young man who wished to claim the privilege of thus saluting the fair damsel thereafter. The mistletoe was said to have been the original magical shrub or forbidden tree in the Garden of Eden.

Santa Claus a Modern Invention.

Of all Christmas customs the best known is also the most recent. Santa Claus is a modern improvement. Saint Nicholas, it is not to be denied, is a fairly hoary figure, and he has long been known as the patron saint of children. Just why is not clear. Practically nothing is really known about the good saint except that he died archbishop of Myra in the fourth century. There are one or

OLD AGE AND A YULETIDE RETROSPECT.



Cincinnati Post.

of small diamonds, made to resemble a mistletoe.

"I think it lovely, Jack, but I don't quite understand. Did you mean it only for a New Year's gift?"

"I told her all, then, told her how I had loved her from my college days, and had always had before me the hope of winning her for my wife."

"Why did you not tell me, Jack?" she cried. "O, Jack, Jack, why didn't you speak?"

"Because I was a poor man, Dora. I worked hard, Dora, and last week I offered a place that means bread and butter and jam, so I went straight to the jeweler and ordered that little ring for you."

"I have loved you so, Jack. I felt proud of myself at last, thinking you cared, and then mother was so at the thought of my making a marriage, and of course it would be for the girls—and so, by the way, she brushed away all trace of me with a dainty lace handkerchief."

"Take back your ring, Jack, dear. I can't wear two on the same finger, and, Jack, I have a queer sort of fancy to dance the old year out and the new year in with you. Will you come and find me here a little before 12 o'clock?"

At about a quarter to 12 I took my way downstairs. Everyone seemed waiting for the joy bells of the New Year. I noticed Col. Foster standing by the window, ready to open it on the last stroke of the clock.

Dora was not alone; George Standish was with her. As far as I could see in the dim light he was holding her hand. I would have retired, but Dora called my name loudly.

"Good-night, dear, and good-by. God bless you."

"Sit down, Jack, and don't look so cross."

"I thought you wanted to dance the old year out."

"Well, I don't, Jack; it's rather solemn this, the death of the old year. What is the New Year going to bring us, I wonder? Listen!" she cried, rising to her feet. "The old hall clock is beginning to strike."

"The New Year has come," smiled Dora; then somehow I found her in my arms.

"I told him the truth, Jack," whispered Dora, "and he said I had better marry my own sweetheart, as he married his years ago."

"God bless him for a good man," I cried.

I looked down at her hand; the big diamond hoop had vanished. I suppose I looked surprised.

"Oh, you silly boy," laughed Dora, with a sudden return of her gay, teasing manner. "It's best to be off with the old ring before you are on with the new."

Chicago Tribune.

No Joke in a Present.

One of the prettiest notions for trimming a Christmas tree is a paper star with a candle in the center. It is made like a pinwheel, and is supposed to represent the Star of Bethlehem.

TWO LITTLE SOCKS

Two little stockings hung by the fire,
Close to the fireplace, and the results
"Two!" said Saint Nick, as he came
Landed with toys and many a treat.
"He had said he was coming," said
"I'll have no cheating, my dear," said
I know who dwells in this house,
There's only one little girl lives here.
So he crept up close to the chimney,
And measured a sock with a woe.
Just then a little note fell out,
And fluttered low like a bird about
"Ah! what's this?" said he in surprise.
As he pushed his specs up close to his eyes,
And read the address in a child's room,
"Dear Saint Nicholas," so it began.
"The older stockings you see on the wall,
I have hung for a poor stricken Clara Hall."
She's a poor little girl, but very good,
So I thought, perhaps, you kindly would
Fill up her stockings, too, to-night.
And help to make her Christmas bright.
If you're not enough for both stockings
there,
Please put all in Clara's—I shall not care.
Saint Nicholas brushed a tear from his eyes,
And "God bless you, darling," he said with
a sigh.
Then softly he blew through the chimney,
And a note like a bird's, as it soared on high,
When down came two of the funniest mor-
tals.
That ever were seen this side earth's por-
tals.
"Hurry up," said Saint Nick, "and nicely
prepare
All a little girl wants where money is
scarce.
Then, oh, what a scene there was in that
room!
Away went the elves, but down from the
gloom
Of the sooty old chimney came tumbling
over
A child's whole wardrobe, from head to toe.
How Santa Claus laughed as he gathered
them in,
And fastened each one to the sock with a
pin.
Right to the toe he hung a blue dress—
"What! think it came from the sky," I
guessed.
Said Saint Nicholas, smoothing the folds of
blue,
And tying the hood to the stocking, too.
When all the warm clothes were fastened
there,
And both little socks were filled and done,
Then Santa Claus tucked a toy here and
there,
And hurried away to the frosty air,
Saying, "God pity the poor and bless the
dear child
Who pines them, too, on this night so
wild."
The wind caught the words and bore them
on high,
Till they died away in the midnight sky.
While Saint Nicholas flew through the icy
air,
Bringing "peace and good will" with him
everywhere.

The Yule Log.

It used to be the custom to burn a yule log on Christmas. The most beautiful tradition attached to this custom was that old wrongs and heartburnings perished therein, and as long as the flame was bright on the walls enemies were at peace with one another. This truth was not always rigidly kept, it is true. There have been dark and cruel yuletides in the history of our race. But in the main the true spirit of Christmas was kept. Many of the superstitions and traditions of the pagan yule log were continued as long as the Christmas log was alight. In some parts of England the log was represented by a bundle of ash fagots bound together. In all cases a brand was kept every year to light the next year's log with. The careful preservation of the brand was a certain preventive of the destruction of the house by fire.

Christmas in Hawaii.

Before the missionaries and the American settlers went to Hawaii, the natives knew nothing about Christmas, but now they all celebrate the day, and do it, of course, in the same way as the Americans who live there. The main difference between Christmas in Honolulu and Christmas in New York is that in Honolulu in December the weather is like June in New York. Birds are warbling in the leafy trees; gardens are overflowing with roses and carnations; fields and mountain slopes are ablaze with color; and a sunny sky smiles dreamily upon the glories of a summer day. In the morning people go to church, and during the day there are sports and games and merry-making of all sorts. The Christmas dinner is eaten out of doors in the shade of the veranda, and everybody is happy and contented.—St. Nicholas.

Not Through Yet.

"What kind of a Christmas did you pass?" asked the friend.

"The same as usual," answered Mr. Bliggins soberly. "Twenty minutes of turkey and mince pie, and six weeks of peppin."—Washington Star.

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Question of the Hour! What Shall It Be? Christmas Suggestions INNIS STORE

3 Genesee St., Waukegan, Ill.

Effort in the selection of acceptable Xmas gifts began as early as last July. The purchase of a sample line of all linen Towels, Tray Cloths, new Bleached Napkins and Bed Spreads months ago, although the goods were only received last week. An importers sample line of a Trimmed and Embroidered Handkerchiefs from Belfast, Ireland, was secured by Mr. Innis in New York during his summer vacation. The Ladies and Children's Furs were bought when it was in the winter. Christmas time would be coming and plans were being laid to eclipse all the other Christmas of Holiday Bargains. Many people from Antioch, Lake Villa and have already come to Innis Store, a Cloak, Fur, Wool Dress Patterns, Petticoats, Walking Skirts, Aprons, Lace Curtains or Door Hangings, or selected less expensive but at all acceptable. Towels, Table Covers, Pillow Shams, Silk and Linen Handkerchiefs, Purse, Bags, Belts, Aprons, Pillow Tops and Fancy Christmas Boxes, too numerous to mention advertisement is to remind you that Lowest Prices, Honest Values and the largest variety of Christmas goods are at Innis Store.



CLOAKS

The wide special popularity of our Cloak Department is well founded. Innis Store is recognized as headquarters for splendidly tailored garments. The Best Cloak on earth for \$10.75 has no superior for style, workmanship and material. Made of Castor or Black Kersey or blue or black Zibeline, lined with guaranteed satin.

Like Cut \$10.75

Other stylish garments at \$4.75, \$6.50 to \$15.00. Children's and Infants Cloaks now being closed out at close prices.

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His Saintship would say

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If the mind needs an apron, the boy needs new socks, the father a tie, or a muffler, in every department the prices are right. Visit.

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WAUKEGAN

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Innis has the largest stock of Furs in Lake county. Nothing can exceed the real pleasure a fur will give a lady or child.

Long black Electric Seal Scarf, large tails	\$2.48
River Mink scarfs	2.25
Black Martin cluster scarfs	\$4.25 4.98
Isabella Fox scarfs	\$7.50, \$8.75, 10, 12, 15.00
Childrens Furs, Muffs and Scarfs up from	88c a Set

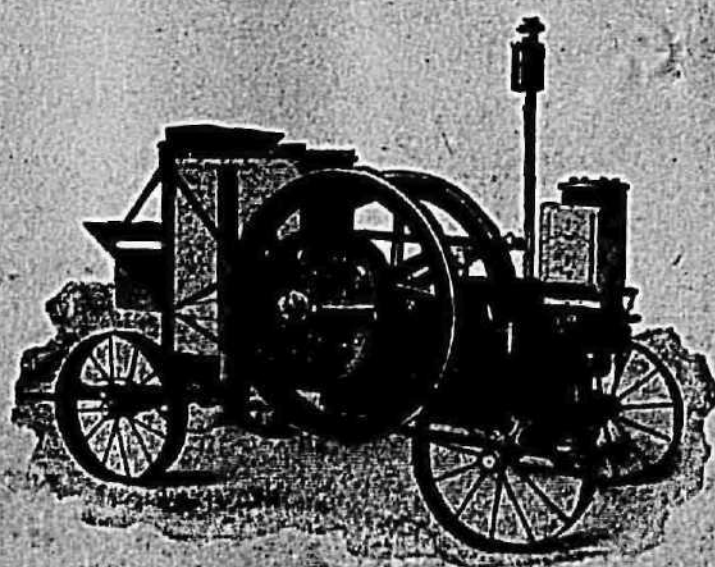
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AND PERFUMER,**

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Christmas Slippers

Every conceivable style, color and material is contained in our enormous assortment of these goods.

FOR MEN

Opera, Everett and Romeo styles in different Leathers and colors - 50c to \$3.00

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Felt Fur Trimmed Juliets in black, red, green, brown and navy blue - \$1.00 to \$2.00
Felt Slippers - 50c to \$1.00

Dainty Sandals in Patent Leather and Vici Kid. All the Newest Creations \$1.00 to 2.50

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Santa Claus has Sense

He hasn't been stamping around in the snow all these years for nothing. He knows you can't carry a cheerful heart on cold feet. Put good substantial warm footwear on every member of the family, then, if there's money left, buy toys. But good footwear first, for less than one doctor's visit.

Santa Claus Says:

Your little boys and girls will be just as happy with new shoes as with tin wagons and other toys, and you will have to buy the shoes anyway.

E. P. BIDINGER & CO

Lake Co.'s Biggest and Busiest Shoe House
110 South Genesee St., Waukegan.

ADJOINING TOWNS

LAKE VILLA

Mrs. J. Lee is spending a few days in Chicago.

Enough snow fell Saturday to make good sleighing.

C. J. Harbaugh transacted business in the city Monday.

Miss Mable Hamlin was a Chicago visitor Friday.

Mr. Sanborn is the new manual training teacher at Allendale.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Westlake visited at Camp Lake over Sunday.

Mrs. C. L. Hay of Maywood is visiting friends in Lake Villa.

Miss Rilla Farrier, of Chicago, visited her mother here the past week.

Miss Helen Richards visited Saturday and Sunday with her sister at Lake Forest.

The Junior League held a social at the paragon Tuesday evening which was much enjoyed.

Work was begun Monday scraping the snow off Deep Lake preparatory to beginning work putting up ice.

The Sunday school here is planning and getting ready for the entertainment on Christmas eve at the church.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Nelson and Mr. and Mrs. John McMahon were doing Christmas shopping in Chicago Monday.

The snow storm of Saturday and Sunday night made considerable work for the railroad men, cars were off the track and there were other disturbances.

Remember the concert tomorrow night (Friday, December 18) given by the Nightingale quartette, under the auspices of the Epworth League. This quartette is assisted by Madam Green, the noted colored soloist and accompanist and a celebrated elocutionist. You can't afford to miss it. Come early and get a good seat.

As a remedy for poor appetite, indigestion, weak stomach and constipation, California Prune Wafers are unequalled. 100 for 25 cents. Ask your druggist.

GRAYSLAKE, ILL.

Godfrey & Hook have started in business in the new building erected by Wm. Peiser.

Mrs. Beatin of Chicago is quite ill at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Litwiler.

Mr. A. McMillen and family left on Tuesday for Denver where they will spend the winter.

O. M. Reid and family have moved to Michigan where they have purchased a farm.

The new druggist, Mr. E. Keith, has moved his family into the house recently vacated by Dr. Palmer.

The young friends of Miss Blanch Holton gave her a surprise at her home on Friday evening and an enjoyable time had.

Dr. Palmer moved his family into Mr. Robinson's flat over the bank where they will reside until their fine new home is completed.

On Wednesday evening Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Thompson entertained a large circle of their friends. Cards were played, a fine lunch served and a royal good time had.

On Christmas eve as usual an Xmas tree will be given at the Congregational church and a fine program has been prepared. Old Santa will be there and glad to welcome all.

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Sherman spent the last of the week with relatives here. They left this week for Virginia where they will spend the winter.

H. J. Hingley who has been operator for some time at Chillicothe for the Santa Fe railroad visited his parents here on Saturday. He now has a position for the same road in Chicago.

Miss Carolyn Robinson, Hattie and Chas left on Friday for St. Andrews Bay, Fla., where they will spend the winter. They were accompanied by Miss Lusk and niece who will also remain here.

A safe agreeable and mild remedy for constipation, biliousness and indigestion, California Prune Wafers. 100 for 25 cents Ask your druggist.

TREVOR, WIS.

Mr. and Mrs. David Gaylord of Waterville, N. Y., spent the past week with their cousins, the Patrick families.

It is reported that Nola Nelson who formerly resided at this place was killed at the ice house at Long Lake last Saturday.

The ladies of the aid society met last Thursday and had a handsome comforter which will be for sale at the bazaar Friday, Dec. 18.

"Renovating" Butter.

Butter that does not taste quite as fresh as it should may be greatly improved by putting in a wooden chopping bowl with salt water and thoroughly working it over and over with a butter worker or even a potato masher. Pour off the salt water and substitute sweet milk, working it into the butter in the same way. Finally wash well with clear, cold water.

BRISTOL, WIS.

Mrs. Ellis was a Kenosha visitor on Monday.

Ward Rowbottom of Chicago spent Sunday at home.

Several of our young people are on the sick list among the number are Emma Castle and Mary Bacon.

A number of our citizens attended the farmer's meeting held at Salem on Wednesday where topics of interest were talked over.

Dr. Pugh, of Kenosha, was called to consult with Dr. Stephens on the case of Helmet Ott, who has been very ill with rheumatism.

The exercises that were to have been given by the pupils of district number 3 just previous to the Christmas vacation have been given up on account of the illness of the teacher, Miss Castle.

Messrs C. L. Marsh and Frank Waldo on behalf of the Bristol Telephone Company, met the directors and managers of the other independent companies doing business in the county at Kenosha on Tuesday morning, where plans were talked over for the connection of the several county lines with the lines of the Kenosha Telephone and Telegraph company and eventually with the lines of Racine, Badger State and Dane county telephone companies.

The Wisconsin Telephone company, the Wisconsin sponsor for the Belle system have also made propositions but their offers have been looked upon with distrust by many of the stockholders of all the independent companies who are familiar with the "freeze out" methods of the Bell company. While neither of the offers has been accepted by the Bristol company, never-the-less the free exchange of business offered at the Kenosha meeting by the Kenosha company, will, no doubt be viewed favorably and accepted by the Bristol company.

California prune wafers will preserve your health, cleanse your system and purify your blood. Try them. 100 for 25 cents. Ask your druggist.

MILLBURN, ILL.

How does this weather suit for December.

Be on the look out for a stereopticon lecture in the near future.

Lloyd White is in Arlington, S. D. where he has a position in a bank.

Miss Vivien Bonner is expected home from school to spend the holidays.

The Sunday School is preparing for a Christmas tree and a nice program also.

C. E. topic, Dec. 20. A vision of world wide peace, Jan. 11, 6-9; 9-6; Christmas Minnetta Denham, leader.

Mrs. Adams, after a short visit here from Chicago returned home last Monday. Mrs. R. Pantall accompanied her.

The Millburn Aid Society will give their annual bazaar at the Congregational church Dec. 17 a lively program has been prepared and also a supper.

The Christmas shoppers from Millburn last Saturday were Mrs. R. L. Strang, Mrs. W. B. Stewart, Mrs. John Thain, Alice Dodge and Vera Worden.

A perfect Anti-Bilious and Anti-Malaria protection and cure for old and young, California Prune Wafers. 100 for 25 cents Ask your dealer.

HICKORY, ILL.

Our warm weather is gone and winter is here in earnest. The temperature dropped to 18 and 20 below Sunday and everybody is shivering.

The wedding bells are again getting ready to ring in Hickory. No city can beat her in the number of weddings this year.

Don't forget the entertainment at the M. E. church, Dec. 22. The school is in hopes of a large crowd and will be held the 22, because on Thursday night, the 24, is the wedding, and we wish to give them a chance to rest. So remember the date, Dec. 22. Come and bring your quarter and we will try to give you your money's worth.

A Business Proposition.

"Last week," said Job Hedges, "I had the queerest touch to which I have ever been subjected. A man, evidently in the last stages of consumption, came into my office and said:

"You know —" mentioning a client of mine who is in the undertaking business.

"I told him I did.

"Well," he said, "he is holding an insurance policy on my life for \$50. It's a cinch that the policy will be payable in a week or ten days at the most. Meantime I need \$10. If you will advance me \$10 I will give you a due bill against the policy. If you can't collect in ten days you can charge interest."—New York Times.

Holds Ancient Insurance Policy.

Charles M. Booth of Englewood, N. J., who has just celebrated his 100th birthday anniversary, says he is the oldest holder of an insurance policy in the United States. He was insured in 1848 in a company just organized and still in existence.

IN THE LANE OF TRUTH

HICKORY NUTTING



The best time in the year for boys is when it's hickory nutting. There's been a frost an' all the buds is openin' an' shakin'. An' winkin' at the squirrels that just jump around an' chatter. An' scoot about a mile away when 'plopp' a big nut clatters. The boys is glad on Saturdays—we're off all our studies. I wouldn't trade my fun that day for yours or anybody's!

You get a good two bushel sack an' sling it on your shoulder. An' wear your mittens an' your coat—may says it will get colder. An' then you strike out on the pike until you cross the river. We use to go in twinnin' there. Ooh! Makes a fellow shiver! From there you cut across the fields; it doesn't take a minute. Until you get to a snag, an' then—why, then you're in it!

The shaggy tree's the shepherbark kind; There ain't a nut that beats it. I don't care where you get it at, nor when a fellow eats it. But butternuts is purty good; it ain't so hard to shake 'em. An' then there's hazel nuts around an' us boys always takes 'em. So purty soon you got your sack filled plumb up to the middle. An' when you shake it there's a tunc that's better than a fiddle.

You don't go home the way you come; You sat across by Tucker's. An' strike a wife, or a drunken tree, an' an your lips with puckers! An' mebbe there's some dried up grapes—the wild kind—still a clingin' Upon the frostbit vines along the river banks. But then you haffo climb a fence; that sack sets you a reelin'. It bumps you in the back an' where you have a hungry feelin'.

So, you start home across the farms, the weeds an' stubble crackin'— You playin' you're a lulu an' that it's a bear to crack 'em! Afore you know how late it is the edge o' town you've sighted. An' get all empty inside when you see the street lamps lighted. You never feel that heavy sack when you walk home, a-struttin'! The best time in the year for boys is when it's hickory nuttin'!

—W. D. N. in Chicago Tribune.

Famous Postage-Stamp Collection.

The magnificent collection of postage stamps, bequeathed to the trustees of the British Museum in 1891 by the late Mr. T. K. Tapling, M. P., can now be seen almost in its entirety by the general public. The very rare and highly valuable stamps will be shown only on special application and under certain conditions, but they do not amount to many, probably about 100, including such philatelic treasures as a pair of the famous "Post Office" Mauritius stamps, valued at something like £3,000. A specimen was lately sold in France for £1,500.

England's Smallest Church.



The church at Upletham, Yorkshire, which measures 17 feet 9 inches by 13 feet, holds the record for smallness by a few inches. It is 4 1/2 inches smaller than the smallest church in France. It is 900 years old.

Fishes Feel Little Pain.

It is well known that fishes have little susceptibility to pain, and that they are very tenacious of life. A curious example of this was seen at Newcastle the other day in the case of a trout which had been caught in the Tyne at Ovingham. Its head was in process of being severed from its body by a tight band of some fibrous substance. The band had worn quite through the skin and flesh down to the bone, and had the appearance of grasping this and the thorax, causing a deep incision in the flesh and other tissues quite round. The fish does not seem to have had the band fastened on it when small. The trout had apparently been caught in the toll, perhaps somebody's tackle, booming tethered thereby, and so twisted in its efforts to get free that the band cut through its flesh right to the bone.—Newcastle Journal.

Modesty. Alas, I do not know it all. But, knowing men who think they do, I wish that I might learn to think that I did, too.

Oh, we may smile at their conceit. But they suppose it is this we show. Our undigested respect for them—And what they know.

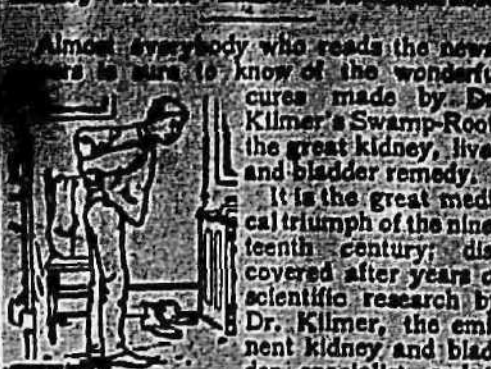


It is a common knowledge that they say that the world is a stage, and that we are but players in it. And that is true.

—S. D. Kiser.

DO YOU GET UP WITH A LAME BACK?

Kidney Trouble Makes You Miserable.



Almost everybody who reads the news papers is sure to know of the wonderful cures made by Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.

It is the great medical triumph of the nineteenth century, discovered after years of scientific research by Dr. Kilmer, the eminent kidney and bladder specialist, and is wonderfully successful in promptly curing lame back, kidney, bladder, uric acid troubles and Bright's Disease, which is the worst form of kidney trouble.

Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is not recommended for everything but if you have kidney, liver or bladder trouble it will be found just the remedy you need. It has been tested in so many ways, in hospital work, in private practice, among the helpless too poor to purchase relief and has proved so successful in every case that a special arrangement has been made by which all readers of this paper who have not already tried it, may have a sample bottle sent free by mail, also a book telling more about Swamp-Root and how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The regular fifty cent and one dollar bottles are sold by all good druggists.

Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root. Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

DRUG HABIT IN AMERICA.

Medical Record Declares Situation Is a Serious One.

It has been publicly stated on many occasions of late that the habit of drug-taking has largely increased in all civilized countries, and that in the United States this increase has been especially marked. It is probable, however, that while there may have been within recent years a very decided increase to the number of those addicted to the drug habit, yet it must be confessed that many of the accounts given bear upon them the earmarks of exaggeration.

Nevertheless, the evidence offered would seem to be quite sufficient to prove that drug-taking is indulged in to a very large extent, and that the situation in this respect is a serious one. Perhaps in this country—although it would be impossible to make an absolutely positive statement on the matter—cocaine is almost as widely resorted to for its narcotizing effects among the white population as is any other drug. Of course, on the whole, the amount of cocaine consumed during a year does not compare in magnitude with that of opium, but then opium is prescribed as a medicine and taken by certain classes of the population—notably by the Chinese—for more extensively than cocaine. At any rate, if opium in its different forms stands first in this country in its use as a narcotic, it will be generally allowed that cocaine makes a good second.—Medical Record.

HEALTH

"I don't think we could keep home without Theford's Black-Draught. We have used it in the family for over two years with the best of results. It has not had a doctor in the house for that length of time. It is a doctor in itself and always ready to make a person well and happy."—A. M. HALL, Jacksonville, Ill.

Because this great medicine relieves stomach pains, frees the constipated bowels and invigorates the torpid liver and weakened kidneys.

No Doctor

Is necessary in the home where Theford's Black-Draught is kept. Families living in the country, miles from any physician, have been kept in health for years with this medicine as their only doctor. Theford's Black-Draught cures biliousness, dyspepsia, colds, chills and fever, bad blood, headaches, dizziness, constipation, colic and almost every ailment because the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels are brought under the health.

THEDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT

Would Keep Him in Mind.

James Cobb tells a curious story of a lady, a sister of Owen Tudor, who, like Henry the Eighth, was greatly given to marrying, and did not die until she had been led seven times to the altar. When she was following her fourth husband to the grave, the gentleman behind whom she rode on horseback ventured to urge his suit. "Unhappily," said the dame, "thou art too late, seeing that I am plighted already; yet to not lose heart, for shouldst thou fall out that I have again to perform the melancholy office, I will bear thee in mind."

—S. D. Kiser.

18 Below Zero

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DAVID CHRISTIE MURRAY

CHAPTER VI

But unhappily Edward was in no mood to be helped upstairs, and refused all offers of aid in that direction. He wanted to drink with Shadrach. He had saved Shadrach's life, risking almost losing his own to do it, and he was moved to tears by the reflection that Shadrach had never offered to pay for a drink in reward for this service.

Shadrach was deeply wounded by this imputation on his gratitude.

"As for askin' a gentleman to drink w' me," he pleaded, "I should never ha-

Souvenir of His Vacation Trip. — "Bring any souvenirs back from your trip?"
"One, only, but it cost a lot."
"What was it?"
"Empty pocketbook." — Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

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"About a year ago my hair was coming out very fast, so I bought a bottle of Ayer's Hair Vigor. It stopped the falling and made my hair grow very rapidly, until now it is 45 inches in length."—Mrs. A. Davidson, Annapolis, Md.

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If your druggist cannot supply you, send us one dollar and we will express you a bottle. Be sure and give the name of your nearest express office. Address: J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

DESERVED TO WIN HER.

Young Man Who Seized Opportunity on the Fly.

"I heard a unique proposal to-day," laughed O'Beagle, as he sat down to his evening meal. "There were a couple of evidently very learned men on the car, who kept branching from one subject to another. Within hearing distance of them sat a man and a woman; in fact, I sat just between the two couples.

"I didn't pay much attention to the remarks of the savants until they began an informal heart-to-heart jabber on a matter I had noticed myself. 'It's truly wonderful how features change,' said one. 'For instance, I knew a married couple who had lived together so long that they finally conformed in features. After a time, one might easily have mistaken them for brother and sister, children of the same parents, so alike in looks were they.'

"I've heard and read of many such cases," said the other; 'it's a scientific fact that constant companionship produces a likeness,' and then was started on a diatribe on this interesting line. 'And just then the public proposal came in, and I was called upon to secretly admire the young man's nerve. The girl said to him:

"Do you think that is so, Will?" "Yes," indeed, answered Will; "and do you know, I'd give you everything in the world if you'd let me look like you."

"I don't know what the outcome was, but if I'd been here I'd certainly have taken him up, for his honest outspokenness is nothing else."

Nature's true fruit cathartic, California Prune Wafers are pleasant as candy and just as harmless. 100 for 25 cents. Ask your druggist.

To Clean a Worn Gown. When the elbows of a gown become shiny from friction then gently with emery cloth. Rub till a little nap is raised and then, in the case of cassimere and other smooth fabrics, go over the place a few times with a warmed silk handkerchief.

California Prune Wafers are a good investment. They give quick returns with no after-trouble. 100 for 25 cents. Ask your druggist.

Courting in Fiji. It is decidedly against the social rules in Fiji to do any courting within doors. The gardens or plantations are the spots held sacred to Cupid, and the generally approved trysting-place of lovers is high up among the branches of a bread-fruit tree.

Fight Will Be Bitter.

Those who will persist in closing their ears against the continual recommendation of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, will have a long bitter fight with their troubles, if not ended earlier by fatal termination. Read what T. R. Beall of Beall, Miss. has to say. "Last fall my wife had every symptom of consumption. She took Dr. King's New Discovery after every thing else had failed. Improvement came at once and four bottles entirely cured her." Guaranteed by J. H. Swan druggist. Price 50 cents and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

Resists Electric Current. Artemus, a Russian electrician, has invented a pliable coat of mail which effectively protects against currents of 150,000 volts.

Peculiar Russian Regiments. There are some queer regiments in the Russian army. One regiment is composed entirely of blondes, the chasseur guards are all brunettes, and no man is enlisted in the Parlov guards unless he wears a reticulated moustache.

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THE ISLAND OF GUAM.

Some New Facts About This Little Known Territory. The only good map that has yet been made of the island of Guam is the result of a government survey and has been published by the War Department. The little sketch map shown here is a reduction from the same and the map will interest many because very few people have as yet any idea of the form of the island, which is shown in the atlases scarcely larger than a dot.

In a rough way the island may be



Our Little Pacific Island. said to resemble in form the sole of a shoe. It is only twenty-nine miles long and from three to ten miles wide, with an area of about 150 square miles, or seven times as large as Manhattan Island.

It is the most southern of the chain of the Ladrone or Mariana Islands, which stretches 420 miles north and south. All the other islands belong to Germany, but they are very small, and Guam is the largest and most important of the group. It is four days' steaming to the east of the Philippines.

We observe on the map great paucity of information about the interior of the island. The reason is that the jungle which covers it is so dense that not even the natives have penetrated far into it, except in two or three places where paths extend from coast to coast—New York Sun.

Cabbages in Pledge.

There is one pawnbroking establishment in connection with Covent Garden market that is absolutely without a rival. This pawnbroking license enables the holder to lend money on garden and other produce by special contracts that only hold good for forty-eight hours as the extreme limit. Many a good load of fruit, flowers or vegetables that may arrive late for one market, or that may not be instantly saleable, is placed. Next morning the stuff can either be redeemed or sold by the broker.

Greecian Bend.



Did you ever hear of the Greecian bend? The American girl of 1878 thought this style was elegant.

Oldest-Lived Family in England. Lutterworth, near Leicester, claims the distinction of having been the home of the longest-lived large family in the kingdom. The last member of this remarkable family has just died at the age of eighty-eight. Her name was Ruth Moore, and she was one of a family of thirteen children, three of whom died at the age of seventy-seven, one at eighty, one at eighty-one, one at eighty-two, one at eighty-five, two at eighty-eight, and one at ninety. Each of the parents died at eighty and the united ages of the family of fifteen total 1,218 years.—London Answers.

"Reposing on His Laurels." Herr von Moser, the celebrated German poet, whose body has just been cremated at Gotha, had in his possession some years before his death a miniature coffin made of crystal destined to receive his ashes. In this coffin were contained a number of withered leaves of laurel, each of which had been plucked from one of the wreaths offered to him by admirers. The explanation of this was to be found in the often-repeated jest of the poet: "I shall repose upon my laurels." This prophecy has now been actually realized.

Clown Was Too Funny. At a circus performance at Kherson, Russia, a clown offered to photograph each of the audience "after a new method," with the promise of money back if the likeness was not good. Small mirrors were then distributed, and the public was asked to find cause for misrepresentation. The clown, however, was too funny.

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Ladies' corduroy waists, were \$2.00, at.....	1.00	Black and white prints, yd.....		05
Yard-wide flannellets, were 15c, at.....	10	Pink and light blue prints, yd.....		05
12 Spoels Cots' thread.....	52	Light prints, yd.....		04
Best brass pins.....	03	President suspenders.....	pair	35
Grave's tooth powder, 25c size.....	12	Job lot men's neckties, worth up to 75c.....		09
Men's talcum powder, 25c size.....	15			

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Grand Pa's Soap, 7 bars for.....	25	Fancy canned tomatoes, 8 lb.....	08
Rapallo cake.....	06	Can pears, 8 lb.....	07
Arm & Hammer Soda.....	05	Chapman's Baking Powder.....	14
Tea Foam, 2 packages.....	05	Cold Blast lantern globes.....	05
German Sweet Chocolate.....	05	Lamp Chimneys, all sizes.....	05
Black Coconut, lb.....	12	Cold Blast lanterns.....	09
Lip or Javanese Coffee, lb.....	10	Ordinary tubular lanterns.....	25
Choice Lemons per dozen.....	10	Full Club Sakes, all sizes.....	43
Fine cut tobacco, light or dark, lb.....	25	Set of cups and saucers.....	39
Duke's Mixture, 9 packages for.....	35	CANDY, NUTS ETC.....	
Flow Boy, 9 packages for.....	35	Mixed Candy 1/2 lb.....	04
Gladi, 9 packages for.....	35	Choice Mixed Nuts 1/2 lb.....	06
Sweet Cuba fine cut, 1 lb. tins.....	35	Chocolate Creams 1/2 lb.....	12

Picked Out Married Man.

Senator Platt relates a story which proves that, except in the case of a newly-wedded pair, who frequently are able to disguise the fact that they are married, it is very easy to pick out husband and wife, particularly when the man is trying to tell an anecdote.

While coming from Washington the senator sat near a party of four, two of each sex. One of the men was telling stories. Suddenly the senator turned to his companion and said: "I'll wager that chap is married."

"How can you tell?" asked his friend. "Why, the woman opposite to him is surely his wife. Every time he told a story she continually interrupted him with, 'There, you've forgotten something!'"

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Profits in Municipal Plants.

Municipal development of water, gas, electricity, street railways, markets, baths and cemeteries in Nottingham, England, has shown an average annual net profit of \$158,000 for the last four years. The money is applied to the reduction of taxes.

A Runaway Bicycle.

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Cotton Figures.

In the cotton zone 25,000,000 acres are devoted to that staple, the yield being 10,827,000 bales of 500 pounds each, worth in cash \$425,000,000.

A Frightened Horse.

Running like mad down the street dumping the occupants, or a hundred other accidents are every day occurrences. It behooves every body to have a reliable salve handy and there's none as good as Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Burns, cuts, sores, eczema, and piles disappear quickly under its soothing effect. 25 cents at J. H. Swan's drug store.

Napoleon's Table and Chair.

In the library at Highclere castle, Lord Camarion's residence in Hampshire, are the table and chair which Napoleon used when he signed his abdication at Fontainebleau.

Doesn't Respect Old Age.

Its shameful when youth fails to show proper respect for old, but just the contrary in the case of Dr. King's New Life Pills. They cut off maladies no matter how severe and irrespective of old age. Dyspepsia, jaundice, fever, constipation all yield to this perfect pill. 25 cents at J. H. Swan's drug store.

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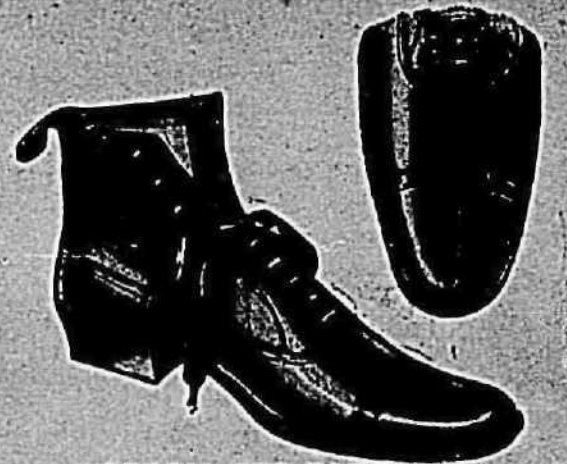
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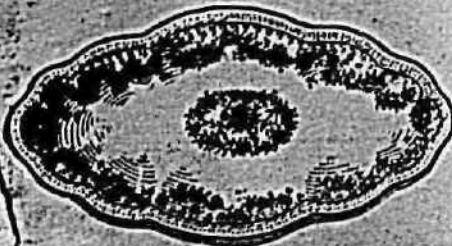
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